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The listed documents were cited in an Office Action (entitled "Notice of Reasons for Rejection") dated October 27, 2009 issued from the Japan Patent Office in connection with corresponding Japanese Application No. 2006-541776. An English translation of the Office Action is also attached. The Office Action indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office, and makes consideration of any non-English art required. MPEP 609.04(a)III.

For a concise explanation of relevance of JP 2003-163593, the Examiner is directed to corresponding U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2003/0098745.

It is noted that WO 02/069791 and GB 2055206, cited in the Japan Office Action, were previously cited to the USPTO in connection with the Information Disclosure Statement of May 22, 2006. Accordingly, those documents are not being again listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

CONCLUSION

To the best of Applicant's knowledge, an Office Action on the merits has not yet been mailed.

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